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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 4, 2005, please consider the following comments presented herewith.

REMARKS

Claims 1-12 are all the claims pending in the application.

As a preliminary matter, Applicant thanks the Examiner for returning the initialed PTO/SB/08 for the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 27, 2004.

The Examiner maintained the rejections of claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,912,310 B1 to Uemura et al. (hereinafter "Uemura"). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection and respectfully requests the Examiner to *carefully* reconsider in view of the comments which follow.